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SUBJECT: ARIES AIR CARGO INTERNATIONAL

1. SUMMARY: EMBASSY HAS OFFERED ASSISTANCE TO ARIES AIR CARGO REP IN ARRANGING MEETING WITH MITI APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS; INDICATIONS ARE, HOWEVER, HE IS NOT SATISFIED. END SUMMARY.
2. ON MARCH 31, EMBOFF MET WITH ARIES AIR CARGO VICE PRES. HOLLAND RE ARIES INTEREST IN LEASING BACK USED CARGO AIRCRAFT WHICH WOULD PRESUMABLY BE PURCHASED BY MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI).
3. ARIES AIR CARGO, ACCORDING TO INFO PROVIDED BY ARIES WASHINGTON REP E. DEL SMITH AND VERIFIED THROUGH EB/OA/AVP, IS BASED IN LOS ANGELES, CALIF. COMPANY OPERATED FROM MARCH 1973 AS AN FAA SECTION 121 COMMERCIAL OPERATOR FOR CARGO UNTIL JANUARY 1974 WHEN THE ENERGY CRISIS AND RELATED PROBLEMS CAUSED ARIES TO CEASE OPERATIONS. IN JANUARY 1978 COMPANY COMPLETED PREPARATION FOR FAA 121 RECERTIFICATION WHICH REMAINS PENDING UNTIL AIRCRAFT CAN BE ACQUIRED.
4. DURING MEETING WITH DEL SMITH ON MARCH 27 IN WASHINGTON, EMBOFF INDICATED EMBASSY WOULD ASSIST HOLLAND AS UNCLASSIFIED

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APPROPRIATE IN MEETING WITH GOJ OFFICIALS. ON MARCH 31 EMBOFF OFFERED TO ASSIST HOLLAND IN CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT WITH MITI MINISTER (WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN ARRANGED PREVIOUSLY BY TWO DIET MEMBERS) OR OTHER APPROPRIATE MITI OFFICIAL. FAA REP ALSO OFFERED TO EXPLAIN FAA 121 CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE TO ANY MITI OR GOJ OFFICIALS WHO MIGHT HAVE QUESTIONS RE PROCEDURE. BOTH EMBOFF AND FAA REP

DECLINED TO ACCOMPANY HOLLAND DURING HIS CALLS, HOWEVER, AS THIS COULD BE INTERPRETED BY JAPANESE AS ENDORSEMENT OF ARIES WHICH EMBASSY IS NOT IN A POSITION TO GIVE. MOREOVER, IT IS IN NO WAY CERTAIN THAT USED CARGO AIRCRAFT WOULD BE PURCHASED FROM U.S. SOURCE AND LEASE BACK TRANSACTION COULD, THEREFORE, RESULT IN A NET LOSS RATHER THAN GAIN IN BALANCE OF PAYMENTS.

4. HOLLAND WAS INITIALLY UPSET BY EMBASSY'S POSITION BUT NOW APPEARS TO HAVE MODERATED HIS VIEWS. MANSFIELD

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